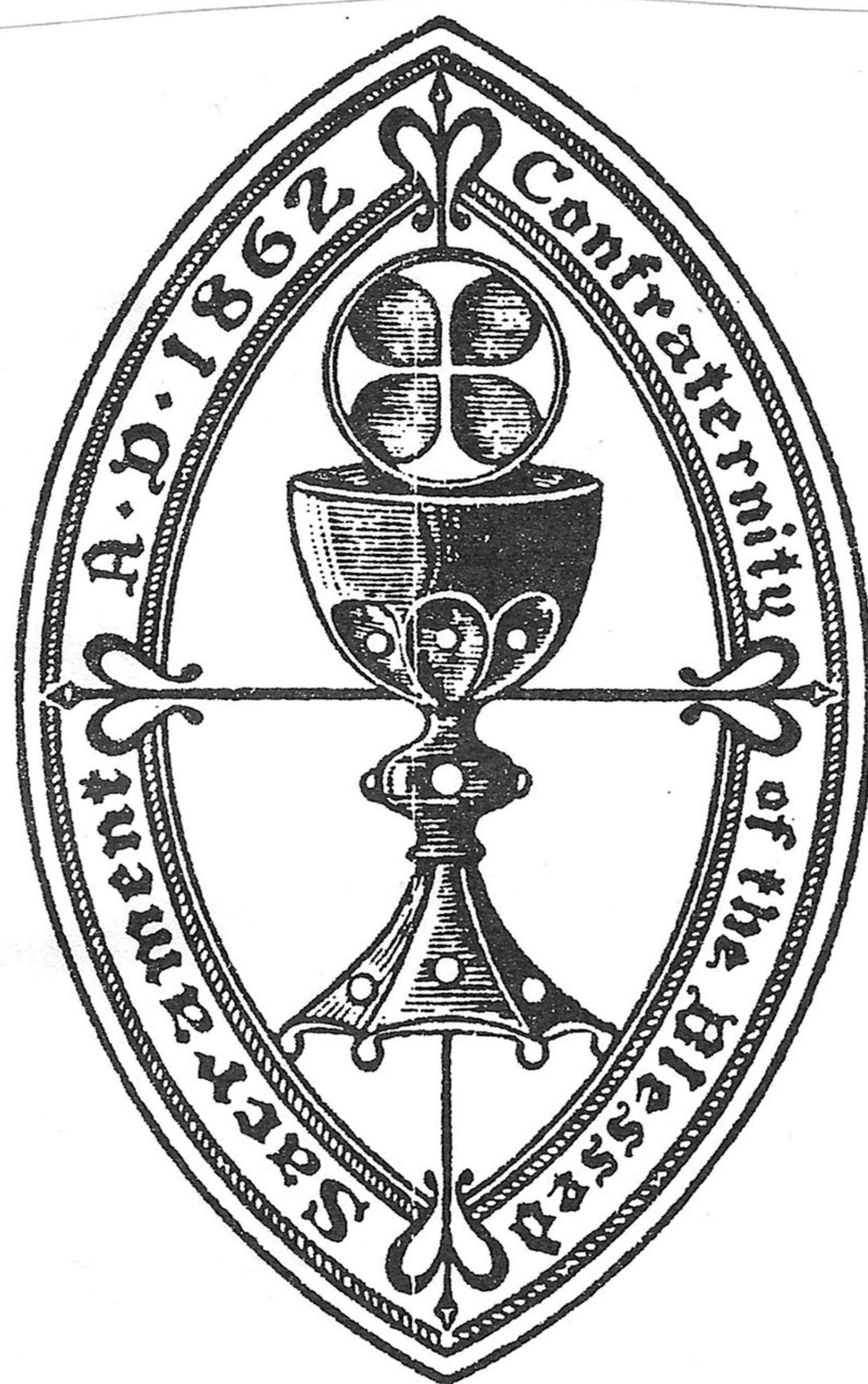


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VESPERS OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Our Father. Hail Mary. *secretly*

℣. O God, make speed to save me.

℟. O Lord, make haste to help me. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Alleluia.

From Septuagesima to Easter, instead of Alleluia: Praise be to thee, O Lord, King of eternal Glory.

Antiphon: Christ the Lord, † a Priest for ever after the order of Melchisedech, offered bread and wine. (P.T., Alleluia.)

Psalm 110

THE Lord said unto my Lord, * Sit thou on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.

2 The Lord shall send the rod of thy power out of Sion: * be thou ruler, even in the midst among thine enemies.

3 In the day of thy power shall thy people offer themselves willingly with an holy worship: * the dew of thy birth is of the womb of the morning.

4 The Lord swears, and will not repent, * Thou art a Priest for ever after the order of Melchisedech.

5 The Lord upon thy right hand * shall wound even kings in the day of his wrath.

6 He shall judge among the heathen; * he shall fill the places with the dead bodies, and smite in sunder the heads over divers countries.

7 He shall drink of the brook in the way; * therefore shall he lift up his head.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Antiphon: Christ the Lord, a Priest for ever after the order of Melchisedech, offered bread and wine. (P.T., Alleluia.)

Antiphon: The gracious Lord † hath given meat unto them that fear him, in remembrance of his marvellous works. (P.T., Alleluia.)

Psalm 111

I WILL give thanks unto the Lord with my whole heart, * secretly among the faithful, and in the congregation.

2 The works of the Lord are great, * sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.

3 His work is worthy to be praised and had in honour, * and his righteousness endureth for ever.

4 The merciful and gracious Lord hath so done his marvellous works, * that they ought to be had in remembrance.

5 He hath given meat unto them that fear him; * he shall ever be mindful of his covenant.

6 He hath showed his people the power of his works, * that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.

7 The works of his hands are verity and judgment; * all his commandments are true.

8 They stand fast for ever and ever, * and are done in truth and equity.

9 He sent redemption unto his people; * he hath commanded his covenant for ever; holy and reverend is his Name.

10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; * a good understanding have all they that do thereafter; his praise endureth for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Antiphon: The gracious Lord hath given meat unto them that fear him, in remembrance of his marvellous works. (P.T., Alleluia.)

Antiphon: I will receive † the cup of salvation, and I will offer the sacrifice of praise. (P.T., Alleluia.)

Psalm 116. 10

I BELIEVED, and therefore will I speak; but I was sore troubled: * I said in my haste, All men are liars.

11 What reward shall I give unto the Lord * for all the benefits that he hath done unto me?

12 I will receive the cup of salvation, * and call upon the Name of the Lord.

13 I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people: * right dear in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.

14 Behold, O Lord, how that I am thy servant; * I am thy servant, and the son of thine handmaid; thou hast broken my bonds in sunder.

15 I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, * and will call upon the Name of the Lord.

16 I will pay my vows unto the Lord, in the sight of all his people, * in the courts of the Lord's house; even in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Antiphon: I will receive the cup of salvation, and I will offer the sacrifice of praise. (P.T., Alleluia.)

Antiphon: Like the olive branches, † may the children of the Church be round about the table of the Lord. (P.T., Alleluia.)

Psalm 128

BLESSED are all they that fear the Lord, * and walk in his ways.

2 For thou shalt eat the labours of thine hands: * O well is thee, and happy shalt thou be.

3 Thy wife shall be as the fruitful vine * upon the walls of thine house;

4 Thy children like the olive-branches * round about thy table.

5 Lo, thus shall the man be blessed * that feareth the Lord.

6 The Lord from out of Sion shall so bless thee, * that thou shalt see Jerusalem in prosperity all thy life long;

7 Yea, that thou shalt see thy children's children, * and peace upon Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Antiphon: Like the olive branches, may the children of the Church be round about the table of the Lord. (P.T., Alleluia.)

Antiphon: The Lord that maketh peace † in the borders of the Church, filleth us with the flour of wheat. (P.T., Alleluia.)

Psalm 147. 12

PRAISE the Lord, O Jerusalem; * praise thy God, O Sion.

13 For he hath made fast the bars of thy gates, * and hath blessed thy children within thee.

14 He maketh peace in thy borders, * and filleth thee with the flour of wheat.

15 He sendeth forth his commandment upon earth, * and his word runneth very swiftly.

16 He giveth snow like wool, * and scattereth the hoar-frost like ashes.

17 He casteth forth his ice like morsels: * who is able to abide his frost?

18 He sendeth out his word, and melteth them: * he bloweth with his wind, and the waters flow.

19 He showeth his word unto Jacob, * his statutes and ordinances unto Israel.

20 He hath not dealt so with any nation; * neither have the heathen knowledge of his laws.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Antiphon: The Lord that maketh peace in the borders of the Church, filleth us with the flour of wheat. (*P.T., Alleluia.*)

Chapter

I Cor. 11.23,24

BRETHREN: I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you: that the Lord Jesus, the same night in which he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks he brake it, and said, Take, eat; this is my body which is broken for you; this do in remembrance of me.

Rx. Thanks be to God.

Hymn

NOW, my tongue, the myst'ry telling
Of the glorious Body sing,
And the Blood, all price excelling,
Which the Gentiles' Lord and King,
Once on earth among us dwelling,
Shed for this world's ransoming.

Giv'n for us, and condescending
To be born for us below,
He with men in converse blending
Dwelt, the seed of truth to sow,
Till he closed with wondrous ending
His most patient life of woe.

That last night at supper lying
Mid the twelve, his chosen band,
Jesus, with the law complying,
Keeps the feast its rites demand;
Then, more precious food supplying,
Gives himself with his own hand.

Word-made-Flesh, true bread he maketh
By his word his Flesh to be,
Wine his blood; when man partaketh,
Though his senses fail to see,
Faith alone, when sight forsaketh,
Shows true hearts the mystery.

Therefore we, before him bending,
This great Sacrament revere;
Types and shadows have their ending,
For the newer rite is here;
Faith, our outward sense befriending,
Makes our inward vision clear.

Glory let us give and blessing
To the Father and the Son,
Honor, thanks, and praise addressing
While eternal ages run;
Ever too his love confessing
Who from both with both is One. Amen.

℣. Thou gavest them Bread from heaven.
(P.T., Alleluia.) ℞. Containing within itself all
sweetness. (P.T., Alleluia.)

Antiphon: O sacred banquet † in which
Christ is received, the memory of his passion
renewed, the mind filled with grace, and a
pledge of future glory given unto us. (P.T.,
Alleluia.)

Magnificat

MY soul doth magnify the Lord, * and my
spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded * the lowliness of his
handmaiden.

For behold, from henceforth * all
generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me; *
and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him *
throughout all generations.

He hath showed strength with his arm; * he
hath scattered the proud in the imagination of
their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their
seat, * and hath exalted the humble and meek;

He hath filled the hungry with good things;
* and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his
servant Israel; * as he promised to our
forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and
to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever
shall be, world without end. Amen.

Antiphon: O sacred banquet in which
Christ is received, the memory of his passion
renewed, the mind filled with grace, and a
pledge of future glory given unto us. (P.T.,
Alleluia.)

℣. The Lord be with you.

℞. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

O GOD, who in a wonderful Sacrament hast
left unto us a memorial of thy passion: grant
us, we beseech thee, so to venerate the sacred
mysteries of thy Body and Blood; that we may
ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of thy
redemption: Who livest and reignest with God
the Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost,
ever one God, world without end. ℞. Amen.

℣. The Lord be with you.

℞. And with thy spirit.

℣. Let us bless the Lord.

℞. Thanks be to God.

℣. May the souls of the faithful, through the
mercy of God, rest in peace. ℞. Amen.

BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

After the Priest exposes the Blessed Sacrament on the altar, the following hymn is usually sung:

O Saving Victim! opening wide
The gate of heaven to man below,
Our Foes press on from every side,
Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.

All praise and thanks to thee ascend
For evermore, blest One in Three;
O grant us life that shall not end,
In our true native land with thee. Amen.

O Salutáris Hóstia,
Quæ cæli pándis óstium,
Bella premunt hostilia,
Da róbur, fer auxilium.

Uni trinóque Dómino
Sit sempitérna glória,
Qui vitam sine término
Nobis donet in pátria. Amen.

Then may follow a Litany or other devotions, after which the following hymn is sung:

Therefore we, before him bending,
This great Sacrament revere;
Types and shadows have their ending,
For the newer rite is here;
Faith, our outward sense befriending,
Makes our inward vision clear.

Glory let us give and blessing
To the Father and the Son,
Honor, thanks, and praise addressing
While eternal ages run;
Ever too his love confessing
Who from both with both is One. Amen.

Tántum, ergo, Sacramentum
Venerémur cernui:
Et antíquum documéntum
Novo cedat rítui;
Præstet fídes suppleméntum
Sénsuum deféctui.

Genitóri, Genitóque
Laus et jubilátio,
Salus, honor, virtus quoque
Sit et benedíctio;
Procedénti ab utróque
Compar sit laudátio. Amen.

Then follows the versicle and response:

℣. Thou gavest them Bread from heaven.
℟. Containing within itself all sweetness.

℣. Panem de cælo præstitisti eis.
℟. Omne delectamentum in se habentem.

During Easter-tide, and during the Octave of Corpus Christi, Alleluia is added to the ℣ and ℟.

Then follows the Collect:

Let us pray

O GOD, who in a wonderful Sacrament hast left unto us a memorial of thy passion: grant us, we beseech thee, so to venerate the sacred mysteries of thy Body and Blood; that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of thy redemption: Who livest and reignest, world without end. *R̃x.* Amen.

Oremus.

DEUS, qui nobis sub Sacramento mirabili, passionis tuæ memoriam reliquisti: tribuæ quæsumus, ita nos Corporis et Sanguinis tui sacra mysteria venerari; ut redemptionis tuæ fructum in nobis jugiter sentiamus: Qui vivis et regnas in sæcula sæculorum. *R̃x.* Amen.

Then the priest takes the Blessed Sacrament and makes the sign of the cross over the people. The priest says the following, the people repeating each sentence after him.

THE DIVINE PRAISES

Blessed be God.

Blessed be His Holy Name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true man.

Blessed be the name of Jesus.

Blessed be His Most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be His Most Precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

Blessed be the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.

Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.

Blessed be her glorious Assumption.

Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.

Blessed be Saint Joseph her most chaste spouse.

Blessed be God in His Angels and in His Saints.

May the heart of Jesus
in the most Blessed Sacrament
be praised, adored, and loved
with grateful affection
at every moment
in all the tabernacles of the world
even to the end of time.
Amen.

After the priest reposes the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle, the following psalm with its antiphon may be sung or said:

Antiphon: Let us forever adore † the Most Holy Sacrament (Alleluia, *in Easter-tide and during the Octave of Corpus Christi*).

Psalm 117

O PRAISE the Lord, all ye heathen * praise him, all ye nations.

For his merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us * and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be * world without end. Amen.

Antiphon: Let us forever adore the Most Holy Sacrament (Alleluia, *in Easter-tide and during the Octave of Corpus Christi*).

Antiphona: Adoremus in æternum † Sanctissimum Sacramentum (Alleluia, *tempore Paschali et per Octavam Corporis Christi*).

Psalmus 116

LAUDATE Dominum, omnes Gentes: * laudate eum, omnes populi:

Quoniam confirmata est super nos misericordia ejus: * et veritas Domini manet in æternum.

Gloria Patri, et Filio, * et Spiritui Sancto.

Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, * et in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

Antiphona: Adoremus in æternum Sanctissimum Sacramentum (Alleluia, *tempore Paschali et per Octavam Corporis Christi*).

Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me;
Blood of Christ, strengthen me;
O good Jesu, hear me;
Within thy wounds hide me;
Suffer me not to be separated from thee;

From the malicious enemy defend me;
In the hour of my death call me,
And bid me come to thee.
That with thy saints I may praise thee
For ever and ever. Amen.

Litany of the Blessed Sacrament

Lord, have mercy upon us. *Christ, have mercy upon us.* Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, hear us. *Christ, graciously hear us.*

God the Father, *have mercy upon us.*

God the Son,

God the Holy Ghost,

Holy Trinity, one God,

Blessed Jesus, God and Man,

Jesus, whom the Heavens cannot contain, yet art really present on our Altars,

Jesus, adored by the Heavenly Hosts, yet accepting our praises,

Jesus, veiling thy Majesty, that we may draw nigh to thee,

Jesus, Bread of Life, whom whoso eateth lives for ever,

Jesus, Good Shepherd, laying down thy life for thy sheep,

Jesus, giving us thine own Flesh and Blood, under the forms of bread and wine,

Jesus, becoming one with us in this Holy Sacrament,

Jesus, thyself both Priest and Sacrifice,

Have mercy, O Lord, *And pardon our sins.*

Have mercy, O Lord, *And renew our souls.*

From measuring thy Omnipotence by our weak understanding, *Good Lord deliver us.*

From doubts, distractions, and irreverence,

From unworthy and unfruitful receiving,

From coldness, hardness of heart, and ingratitude,

By thy Blessed Body, really present in the Holy Communion,

By thy Precious Blood, really present in the Cup of Blessing,

We sinners beseech thee to hear us, that we may believe all thy truths revealed to us,
Hear us, O Lord.

That we may acknowledge our absolute subjection to thy Will,

That we may thankfully adore thy Goodness,

That we may gratefully respond to thy gracious invitations,

That we may approach this ineffable Mystery in perfect charity with all the world,

That receiving thy most Sacred Body and Blood, our souls may dissolve in reverence and love,

That returning from this Great Sacrament, our hearts may continue recollected in thee,

That we may be healed of all infirmities, and strengthened against all relapses,

That as we now adore thee veiled in Mystery, we may hereafter see thee face to face,

Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, *Spare us, O Lord.*
Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, *Hear us, O Lord.*
Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, *Have mercy upon us.*

Let us pray

O GOD, who under a wonderful Sacrament hast left us a Memorial of thy Passion; grant us, we beseech thee, so to venerate the Sacred Mysteries of thy Body and Blood, that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of thy Redemption, Who livest and reignest, world without end. *Amen.*

Hymn No. 1 – Sweet Sacrament divine!

Sweet Sacrament divine!
Hid in thy earthly home,
Lo! round thy lowly shrine
With suppliant hearts we come.
Jesu, to thee our voice we raise
In songs of love and heartfelt praise,
Sweet Sacrament divine!

2 Sweet Sacrament of peace!
Dear Home for every heart,
Where restless yearnings cease
And sorrows all depart.
There in thine ear all trustfully
We tell our tale of misery,
Sweet Sacrament of peace!

3 Sweet Sacrament of rest!
Ark from the ocean's roar,
Within thy shelter blest
Soon may we reach the shore.
Save us, for still the tempest raves,
Save, lest we sink beneath the waves,
Sweet Sacrament of rest!

4 Sweet Sacrament divine!
Earth's light and jubilee,
In thy far depths doth shine
Thy Godhead's majesty.
Sweet Light, so shine on us, we pray,
That earthly joys may fade away,
Sweet Sacrament divine!

HYMN NO. 2 – Soul of my Saviour

Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast;
Body of Christ, be Thou my saving guest;
Blood of my Saviour, bathe me in Thy tide;
Wash me, ye waters gushing from His side.

2 Strength and protection may Thy Passion be;
O blessed Jesus, hear and answer me;
Deep in Thy Wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me;
So shall I never, never, part from Thee.

3 Guard and defend me from the foe malign;
 In death's dread moments make me only Thine;
 Call me and bid me come to thee on high,
 Ever with Saints my Lord to magnify.

HYMN NO. 3 – Clear vault of heaven

Clear vault of heaven, serenely blue,
 How many stars come shining through
 Thy azure depths?
 Beyond all count are they. Beyond &c.
 Praised be the Holy Sacrament as many
 times a day!

2 Fair world, the work of God's right
 hand,
 How many are the grains of sand
 In all thy frame?
 Beyond all count are they. Beyond &c.

3 Green meadow, wide as eye can see,
 How many o'er thy sward may be
 The blades of grass? Beyond &c.

4 O groves and gardens rich and fair,
 What bounteous harvests do ye bear
 Of fruits and flowers? Beyond &c.

5 Great ocean, boundless, uncontrolled,
 How many do thy waters hold
 Of briny drops? Beyond &c.

6 High sun, of all things center bright,
 How many are the rays of light
 That from thee dart? Beyond &c.

7 Eternity, O vast sublime!
 How many moments of our time
 Are in thy length? Beyond &c.

HYMN NO. 4 – Jesus, in thy dear Sacrament

Jesus, in thy dear Sacrament
 Thy Cross I cannot see;
 But the Crucified is offered here,
 And he was slain for me.

2 Jesus, in thy dear Sacrament
 Thy Flesh I cannot see;
 But that Flesh is given to be our food,
 And it was scourged for me.

3 Jesus, in thy dear Sacrament
 Thy Blood I cannot see;
 But the Chalice glows with those red
 drops
 On Calvary shed for me.

4 Jesus, in thy dear Sacrament
 Thy Face I cannot see;
 But Angels here behold the Brow
 Thorn-crowned for love of me.

5 Jesus, in thy dear Sacrament
 Thy Heart I cannot see;
 But that fiery Heart is prisoned here,
 And it was pierced for me.

6 Jesus, in thy dear Sacrament
 Thy Godhead none may see;
 But thou art present God and Man
 In thy Sacrament with me.

HYMN NO. 5 – O Sacred Heart, for ever burning

O Sacred Heart, for ever burning
With fire of love for all mankind;
In thee our hearts their home discerning
Love's refuge seek, love's guerdon
find.

2 O wounded Heart, for our salvation
Distraught with agonies and fears;
Accept thy children's supplication
And melt our frozen hearts to tears.

3 O patient Heart, in silence pleading
Through lowliest veils of bread and
wine;
Our hearts in shame and sorrow bleeding
Restore, and fill with grace divine.

4 O royal Heart, enthroned for ever
O'er rebel realms won back, forgiv'n;
Our hearts from earth's allegiance sever
And make us citizens of heav'n.

5 O Heart of God the One, the Living,
O human Heart of Mary's Son,
Through thee creation's great thanksgiving
Goes up to God the Three in One.

HYMN NO. 6 – To Jesus' Heart, all burning

To Jesus' heart, all burning
With fervent love for men,
My heart with fondest yearning
Shall raise its joyful strain.
*While ages course along,
Blest be with loudest song
The Sacred Heart of Jesus
By every heart and tongue!*

2 O Heart, for me on fire
With love no man can speak,
My yet untold desire
God gives me for Thy sake.
While &c.

3 Too true I have forsaken
Thy love by willful sin;
Yet now let me be taken
Back by Thy grace again.
While &c.

4 As Thou art meek and lowly,
And ever pure of heart,
So may my heart be wholly
Of Thine the counterpart.
While &c.

5 O that to me were given
The pinions of a dove,
I'd speed aloft to Heaven,
My Jesus' love to prove.
While &c.

6 When life away is flying,
And earth's false glare is done;
Still, Sacred Heart, in dying
I'll say I'm all Thine own.
While &c.